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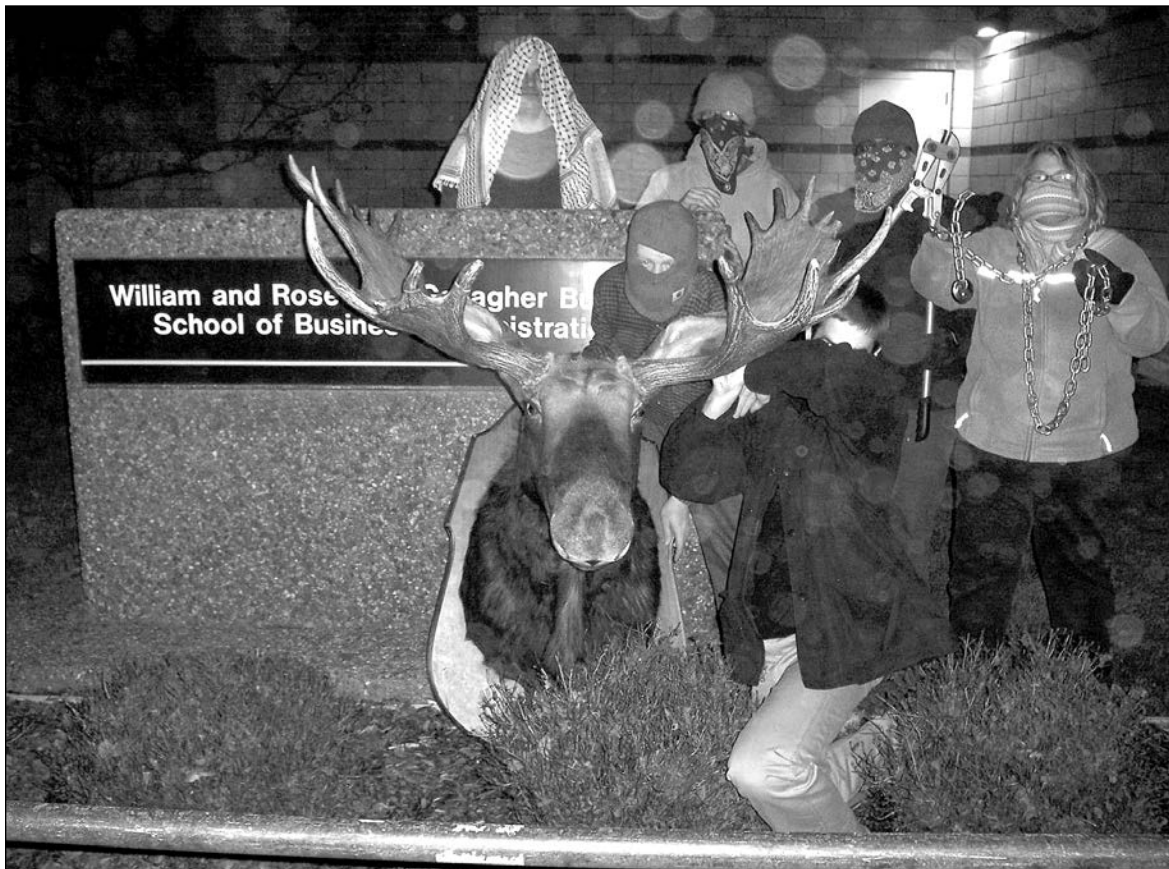


Photo courtesy of the Moose Liberation Party

Members of the Moose Liberation Party stand outside of the Gallagher Business Building with their prize, Bertha the Moose.

Law students shuck moose for Duck

DANNY BOBBE

MONTANA KAIMIN

Bertha the Moose, the School of Forestry's symbolic dead animal head, has been stolen.

An organization known as the Moose Liberation Party is claiming responsibility for the abduction that occurred Sunday night. The MLP is widely believed to be composed of students from the law school.

In Bertha's place, which overlooks the main entrance of the Forestry Building, is a plastic whitetail deer named Duck.

This is not the first time Bertha has been stolen. She is usually taken around this time of year because of her role as "Master of Ceremonies" at the upcoming Foresters' Ball.

Some consider her kidnapping as nothing more than a friendly publicity stunt accenting the traditional rivalry between forestry and law students. Others, however, take her seizure much more seriously.

"Those goddamn lawyers stole our goddamn moose, and God damnit, we want it back," said a man who wished only to be identified as Hewie.

Hewie refused to reveal his identity because he is a member of the Forestry Armed Response Team, or F.A.R.T. Another member of F.A.R.T. going by Car Ramrod said there is a high possi-

**"THERE'S A FEELING
OF UNEASINESS IN
THE FORESTRY
SCHOOL."**

— JASON PARKE,
SENIOR, PRESIDENT OF THE
FORESTERS' BALL

bility their organization will seek revenge.

Kriss Goss, a graduate student and member of the law school student government, could neither confirm nor deny law student involvement in the abduction, but

warned forestry students against seeking retribution.

"If forestry students unfortunately feel the need to retaliate against law students, law students will feel the need to respond in kind," Goss said.

In the meantime, forestry students are split over how to react over the loss of Bertha.

"There's a feeling of uneasiness in the forestry school," said Jason Parke, a senior, who is also the president of the Foresters' Ball. "Bertha is a fragile animal and is definitely in the wrong hands."

Some students are used to the routine.

"They can keep the damn thing as far as I'm concerned. I got a short-timers attitude," said forestry senior John Berrin.

The 89th Foresters' Ball will take place on Feb. 3 and 4. Tickets go on sale Jan. 30 and cost \$12 for a singles and \$20 for a couple. Tickets at the door are \$15 for single \$25 for a couple.

Student dissenters of bike ban speak out at ASUM meeting

DANIEL PERSON

MONTANA KAIMIN

When ASUM Sen. Jake Pipinich said he wanted to ban bikes on campus, students listened ... and some didn't like what they heard.

On Tuesday, Pipinich wrote in a Kaimin letter to the editor that he had drafted a resolution that would ban bikes on campus. It would require people who ride their bikes to school to ditch them at the edge of campus and walk

the rest of the way — the result of "a general disregard for safety on the part of some bikers."

And while the resolution has yet to be brought before the Senate, many students are already objecting.

Pipinich reported at Wednesday's ASUM meeting that since Tuesday, he has received over 45 e-mails against his stance.

Additionally, several students appeared at the ASUM meeting to speak against his plan.

Eric Webster, a senior majoring

in geology, said such a ban would have effects both locally and globally.

Webster argued that a bike ban would make it inconvenient for students to ride a bike and push them towards other means of transportation, such as vehicles.

"If I had to walk across campus, biking would be less convenient," Webster said. "Our society, our culture is all about convenience."

In consideration of global warming, Webster said that is a step in the wrong direction.

UM to hold Relay for Life walk for cancer awareness

EMMA SCHMAUTZ

MONTANA KAIMIN

For one week this March, Katie Murphy's best friend was radioactive.

"We had to move tables (at a restaurant) because she was sitting near a table with a woman who had a baby," Murphy said.

Murphy's friend, whom the University of Montana graduate student wishes to keep anonymous, didn't accidentally stumble upon a uranium mine but received radioactive iodine treatments to cure thyroid cancer.

Doctors told her that for the duration of the treatment she could not be near animals or young children.

Murphy's experiences with her friend spurred her into action and prompted her to become the chair

of UM's first Relay for Life cancer walk.

Relay for Life events are night-long walks held across the nation to promote awareness of cancer and raise money for cancer research.

UM's Colleges Against Cancer group, which will soon be an ASUM-sponsored student organization, held a booth in the UC yesterday to sign up students the Relay for Life walk that will be held around the Oval on May 5 into the early hours of May 6.

"It's overnight because cancer never sleeps," Murphy said.

Students form teams to ensure that at least one member of their group is participating in every lap around the Oval in the 12-hour walk. They also must gather pledges of at least \$50.

UM faces a challenge to raise more pledge money than Montana State University, which is holding a Relay for Life walk in February.

Samantha Heck, a UM senior

psychology major, described the relay as a "big party for cancer awareness."

She said the night would include entertainment, games and bands, who will perform in the Oval.

"It will get the whole University aware that cancer is a problem," Heck said.

Students also have the opportunity to donate \$5 for luminary candles, which will be placed around the Oval in honor of loved ones killed or affected by cancer.

UM freshman Amber Colvin visited the UC booth and signed up to participate in the Relay for Life walk.

Colvin was 15 when she was diagnosed with thyroid cancer three years ago and underwent surgery.

"It was really stressful," Colvin said. "I didn't have chemo, just lots of other treatments."

Colvin missed 25 days of school and temporarily lost her voice because doctors cut a wrong nerve when they were removing her thyroid gland.

"One of my vocal cords was paralyzed for four months," Colvin said. "I had to learn how to talk."

The surgery was successful, and Colvin said that afterward she became more involved in activities like swimming and other school clubs that she had never joined before.

Colvin is hoping to gather some of her dorm friends together to form a team and walk in the relay.

Megan Wright, a UM senior art education major, signed up to walk in the relay because her uncle, grandfather and grandmother all died of cancer.

"(Cancer) is a pretty common

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EDITORIAL**Celebrate Rosa Parks on Dec. 1,
not World AIDS Day**

Today marks the 50th anniversary of Rosa Parks refusing to give up her seat to a white passenger on a bus in Montgomery, Ala.

Chances are, you won't hear about this much today because Ms. Parks was laid to rest on Oct. 25 this year, with President Bush and several other high-profile government officials holding a ceremony in her honor on Oct. 30.

However, if you tune into any television news program today, check any news Web site or open any newspaper, you'll undoubtedly hear all about World AIDS Day.

You might ask yourself - what is World AIDS Day?

Are we supposed to celebrate people who have AIDS?

Are we celebrating HIV victims like Magic Johnson?

Are those who created this holiday, the World Health Organization, using today as a pedestal to talk about the millions of people who suffer from the disease?

Unless you take the time to do the research, no one really knows what this day is for.

Yet, nearly everyone knows the importance Rosa Parks played in the civil rights movement in 1955.

Don't get me wrong— AIDS is a worldwide problem.

According to the Office of National AIDS Policy summary fact sheet, 36.1 million people are living with AIDS, with approximately 900,000 people in America carrying the disease.

In 2000, according to the fact sheet, the United States spent \$10.8 billion on HIV/AIDS patient care.

Clearly AIDS is a problem that isn't going away anytime soon.

But what are we accomplishing by creating a World AIDS Day? Do people donate more money on Dec. 1 to the cause? Does it help AIDS awareness? Do people get the day off from work to help find a cure for AIDS?

I'm willing to bet the answer to all these questions is no.

The World AIDS Campaign organization says on its Web site that World AIDS Day is a day that, "...the WAC, together with its partners, will build on the strengths and contribution of individuals by encouraging more of them to make their own promises to respond to HIV and AIDS whether as a family or as part of a community."

Why should they use just one day to build on these strengths and contributions? The Web site also says World AIDS Day is employed by local and federal governments to raise awareness of the severity of the disease.

Again, why just one day? If elected officials really believe singling out one day to promote awareness for a disease that 36.1 million people are living with will solve the problem, they're crazy.

To make matters worse, it seems as if every day is some sort of national awareness day.

From National Children's Day, the second Sunday in October, to Boy Scout Day, Feb. 8, to Boss Day, Oct. 16, this country is full of arbitrary holidays no one knows about except the people who created them.

So what's the logic in making AIDS awareness one of those days that no one really cares about and nothing is really done, especially when such a significant historical happening occurred on the same day?

AIDS also deserves to be recognized for the terror it brings to its victims, but why just do it one day? Why not do it every day and give Dec. 1 the proper distinction it deserves — the day the civil rights movement began in Montgomery, Ala. in 1955. Make Dec. 1 Rosa Parks Day, and the rest of the year can and should be focused on AIDS awareness.

Jake Sorich, Montana Kaimin

DR. PATHETIC**WEIGHING THE GOOD LOVE ADVICE VERSUS THE BAD**

JAKE SORICH

MONTANA KAIMIN

Some people might disagree, but as Dr. Pathetic I've given people on campus what I view as the best free relationship advice a person can get this side of Dr. Drew and Adam Carolla on Loveline. But seeing that you can't even get Loveline on the radio in Missoula, by default Dr. Pathetic was the best.

While some of the questions, some real, most fake, might have been unbeliev-

able, I've tried answering your questions the best I could.

Even good advice can be seen as bad, however. What I might have seen as good advice for the boyfriend whose girl was growing a mustache could have ended up ruining their relationship.

I don't have the power to predict how my advice ultimately affects the people for whom I've given it to.

But to be fair and to perhaps help those who think I've given nothing but bad advice to people, this week I'm ending my column by giving the worst advice I can come up with.

While I see this as bad advice, those of you who find my good advice horrible maybe will find my bad advice helpful.

So, I present to you, my loyal readers, a list of my best and worst relationship advice.

- Never smile at a girl; she'll probably think you're high.

- When your girlfriend asks you why you have lipstick on your collar, tell her that her best friend, Trixie, wanted to taste your neck - but that was it.

- If a guy asks you out to a movie, tell him you'll go but you've got chronic diarrhea and can't sit still more than five minutes before exploding. Guys love girls with gastric problems.

- Never, ever, ever have sex without first dipping your dong in pudding, chocolate pudding.

- Never tell women your true feelings; they'll use them to blackmail you when you want to ditch the baby shower to go watch a football game.

- Women — when on a blind date, make sure to ask your date how big his penis is. Guys love talking about their genitals and he can't wait to tell you, so forego the awkwardness and ask him right away.

- For men, when on a blind date, be sure to comment on how ugly her coat or sweater or any kind of protective garment is. By telling her you don't like it, she'll be more inclined to take it off.

- If your boyfriend is into sports but you're not, tell him Ryan Leaf is the greatest quarterback of all time. He'll recognize you know your sports right away and will like you that much more. Or tell him the New York Yankees are the greatest team ever for the same effect.

- When your wife asks you to do the chores around the house, tell her, "But honey, I'm horrible at chores and I know how much you love to clean up after me. I don't want to disturb your passion." She'll appreciate that you understand her love of chores.

- When out clubbing at night with your boyfriend, be sure to look at every other man you see in the room. Feel free to tell him at some point, "God, that guy is so hot, don't you think honey? I love his pants, why don't you ever wear those? I love watching other men when you're with me."

- Men, never pay for anything when on a date. Women hate it when you buy them things, or give them any attention for that matter. The less you look at or spend time with them the more they'll want you. The days of the man paying for everything is over. Tell her that if she asks why you don't buy anything. She'll understand.

- When proposing to your girlfriend, the more inappropriate the place, the better. Proposing at home, at church, in a restaurant, at a football game, in a park etc., is so common she won't appreciate your effort. Try proposing somewhere new, and don't feel like you need to tell her face-to-face. Try proposing in places like a jail, a strip club or a sperm bank. You can also do it over the phone, or you can even propose in a chat room or through a text message. Face-to-face proposals in church are so 1960.

- On that note, if you're looking to break up with your significant other, do it in an e-mail or text message. The more personal the breakup message, the more likely he or she will be hurt. So make it as impersonal as possible. Myself, I like snail-mailing a breakup note without signing it. That way, you don't even have to tell him or her you've broken up, you can just say, "Well, check the mail, you'll see what I mean in a week or so."

So OK, that's some bad advice, but it wouldn't be right if I didn't leave you without some good advice.

The best advice I can give is to always be yourself. A girl or guy can't really know you if you're trying to be someone else. Even if you're weird or not a prep, goth, grunge rocker or any other stereotype, just be yourself. If a person can't like you for you then he or she is not worth the time or effort.

Thank you everyone who has read or wrote in to Dr. Pathetic. It's been an interesting journey that's led me here — days away from graduation. It's sad-denning to be ending my college career and yet exciting to get the chance to begin my professional one. Hopefully my advice from this column has at the very least made you chuckle during another boring lecture, and at the very most helped you improve your own relationships. I believe life is nothing without relationships. And not just romantic ones, but daily interactions with the people around you. To live well, I believe, is to keep those bonds strong.

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What else are you gonna read at 8am?

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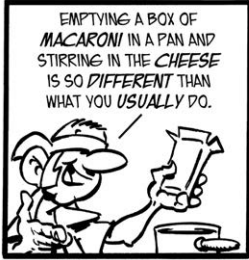
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Two Dudes

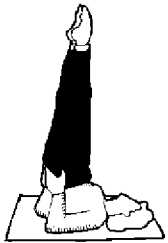


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Daily Astrology

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (12-01-05)

You're confident this year, ready to tackle adventures you've found too daunting before. Courage is good, but remember, discipline is also required. To get the advantage, check the day's rating: 10 is the easiest day, 0 the most challenging.

ARIES (MARCH 21-APRIL 19)

Today is a 9 _ A long-distance relationship is full of surprises now. You may be asked to provide stability. Don't be afraid.

TAURUS (APRIL 20-MAY 20)

Today is a 6 _ It's not a good day to gamble, or take financial risks. Do watch for ways to cut costs, however. You could win a bonus.

GEMINI (MAY 21-JUNE 21)

Today is a 7 _ Delegate the decision-making to a person who has more interest, expertise and talent in the matter. In other words, hire a pro.

CANCER (JUNE 22-JULY 22)

Today is a 5 _ There is a lot of work to be done, and more coming in all the time. Don't let it become a burden. Develop a good routine.

LEO (JULY 23-AUG. 22)

Today is a 10 _ You are the lucky winner! Don't waste a moment. Go after the big prize right now.

VIRGO (AUG. 23-SEPT. 22)

Today is a 5 _ Your place may be a mess, but there's creativity occurring. Focus on that and don't let the commotion mess with your clear thinking.

LIBRA (SEPT. 23-OCT. 23)

Today is an 8 _ This is one of those maximum learning days that comes every so often. The phase lasts through tomorrow. Don't waste a moment.

SCORPIO (OCT. 23-NOV. 21)

Today is a 5 _ This could be a lucky day for you, financially. Look carefully at what you're given, it could be a lot more than expected.

SAGITTARIUS (NOV. 22-DEC. 21)

Today is a 9 _ You're very intelligent now. It's almost scary. No need to worry, just relax and let the revelations come through you.

CAPRICORN (DEC. 22-JAN. 19)

Today is a 4 _ There's a lot on your plate, even more on your mind. Don't be squashed by obligations. Keep moving!

AQUARIUS (JAN. 20-FEB. 18)

Today is an 8 _ Your friends are there for you when you need them. They can even come up with the good ideas if your mind's temporarily blank.

PISCES (FEB. 19-MARCH 20)

Today is a 5 _ Great opportunities for advancement beckon, if you'll take the risk. Go for it. Blast through the glass ceiling. It's fragile now.

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Montana receives housing money for HIV/ AIDS patients

ASSOCIATED PRESS

HELENA Montana, South Dakota and North Dakota are among 15 states to receive \$18.8 million in grant money to help cover housing costs for those infected with HIV and AIDS, federal officials said Wednesday.

The grant money is part of \$282 million budgeted for people nationwide whose housing needs are affected by AIDS, Alphonso Jackson, secretary of the

Department of Housing and Urban Development, said during a ceremony in Tampa, Fla.

"We have to keep the promise to help those who are most in need," Jackson said.

Montana, South Dakota and North Dakota were awarded a three-year, \$1.4 million grant for a collaborative program called Housing Environments for Living Positively, or HELP, said Jim Nolan, a bureau chief in Montana Department of Public Health and Human Services. The program is

based in Montana and provides housing assistance to low-income individuals and families affected by HIV and AIDS in all three states.

Montana, South Dakota and North Dakota joined forces on the program about four years ago because they have too few HIV and AIDS cases to qualify for federal funding on their own, Nolan said. HELP serves about 45 households in Montana and about 20 households in each of the other two states.

"The reason I believe HUD likes our project is it's the only multistate project in the country," Nolan said.

In Montana, the HELP program is administered by the Missoula AIDS Council and the Yellowstone AIDS Project in Billings. The funding announced Wednesday will provide rental assistance and help get people off waiting lists, Nolan said. The Yellowstone AIDS Project has a waiting list of about 22 people.

The funding also will allow

Montana's HELP program to hire some housing coordinators to work with clients one on one.

"It's a great Christmas present," Nolan said.

Other states awarded a piece of the \$18.8 million housing grant money are: California, Colorado, Delaware, Florida, Illinois, Kentucky, Maryland, North Carolina, New Hampshire, New York, Texas and West Virginia.

Missoula credit union beefs up security

KAYLA STEWART

MONTANA KAIMIN

If you forget the password to your Missoula Federal Credit Union online account, you can't count on calling into the bank anymore to have them jog your memory.

The Credit Union is beefing up its security by encouraging phone operators to ask more personal information to verify they are speaking with the correct person. Their new policy requires members to visit a bank branch and provide a picture ID to get password information rather than just calling over the phone, according to Senior Vice President Roxanne Roehl.

"We are looking into all areas to increase security, from wanting a password to changing your address," she said. "For pass-

words for Miss Web (Missoula Federal Credit Union's online account), you have to come in and show an ID. It's for the protection of our members and the Credit Union."

Holly Karstens, the teller supervisor at the University of Montana branch, said if a member calls to check a balance, she would verify the information over the phone, but would not divulge passwords for an Internet account.

"What we're going to do is check a photo ID (for the Internet accounts)," she said. "Then we're confident that we're talking with the correct person."

She said students should always be prepared to show a photo ID.

But even with the new policy in place, Roehl said there are always exceptions to the rule.

"Nothing's ever set in stone," she said. "We can make exceptions. If a member is out of town

and we can verify (it is him or her), and they're desperate ... but our comfort level has to be pretty high."

The increase in security has been an attempt to curb fraud, Roehl said.

She said she continues to see frequent cases of members losing money to fraudulent lotteries, companies and telemarketers.

"Members should not give personal information to anyone," she said.

The increased security might be a hassle for members who have to drive to a local branch if they forget a password, but it's for good reason, Roehl said.

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Eric Webster, a University of Montana senior geology major, argues that Sen. Jake Pipinich's proposed campus bike ban would inconvenience students. Webster was one of four people to talk during the public comment period of Wednesday's ASUM Senate meeting. Pipinich has received approximately 45 e-mails on the issue.

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for the signs.

In Tuesday's letter, Pipinich said a ban on bikes would solve many problems on campus, not just safety concerns. These include blocked wheelchair ramps due to illegally parked bikes and

trails of dead grass that are caused by bikers that leave the pavement.

With the large amount of opposition, Pipinich is tempering his actions. He said he wanted his resolution tabled, but said he still wanted to look into limiting the amount of bikes are around campus, and challenged the arguments presented at the meeting.

In response to the argument that

walking from the edge of campus would make biking inconvenient, he said, "I don't expect someone to pick me up with a shuttle at my car...its not that big of an inconvenience."

After the meeting, Pipinich said he was happy to see that his idea sparked an interest in students, and said he wanted more e-mails.

ASUM opposes US House land bill

DANIEL PERSON

MONTANA KAIMIN

In the coming week, ASUM will be working to raise student opposition to a bill passed by the U.S. House of Representatives that some fear will open the millions of acres of public land up to private development.

With a 14-7 vote, the ASUM senate passed a resolution that opposed the bill and assigned Political Action Director Rikki Gregory the task of spreading opposition across campus.

H.R. 4241, the Deficit Reduction Act of 2005, among other things, lifts a 1994 moratorium on the sale of public lands to individuals who want to mine on that land. Denny Rehberg, R-Mont., supported the bill.

ASUM Sen. Jesse Piedfort said this put Montana land at risk, as well as University of Montana enrollment.

"Every advocate is supposed to tell students how beautiful Montana is," he said. "It's the primary marketing tool of the University."

ASUM President Brad Cederberg agreed.

"People don't come here often times because of our academic record ... a lot of people come here because they like to hunt and fish," Cederberg said.

The House passed the bill in November, but a similar bill was also passed in the Senate – one that does not include a lift on the ban. Next week, the House and the Senate will meet to resolve the differences between the bills, and that is when Piedfort said UM's voice must be heard.

"We're the students at the

largest university in a state with a lot of public lands and we do have a voice in this," he said.

Sen. Kari Samuel said the bill was about raising student awareness.

"There are a lot of students out there that don't know this is going on," she said.

Specifically, the house bill resurrects a law from the 1800s that allows people to buy land from the federal government if they intend to mine on it. The bill also makes it easy for people to use the land for things other than mining. This has led many to fear that the law would be used by developers to gain large pieces of land and sell them for a profit.

But some questioned the merits of the resolution.

Sen. Jake Pipinich said spending time opposing federal legislation was a waste of time.

"Adding our name to a large list in this debate is worthless," he said. "You're kidding yourself if you think they give a damn."

Sen. Andrew Bissell said he supported the House bill.

"Residential and commercial development is not evil," he said. "The federal government has no constitutional right for owning as much land as it does."

The Student Political Action Committee will meet on Monday to discuss plans of action for the protest. While no plans are set, Piedfort said he hoped this would consist of e-mails and phone calls to students telling them about the bill.

After the meeting, Piedfort said, "Just because Denny Rehberg doesn't think it's important, doesn't mean we can't think it's important."



Jesse Piedfort, ASUM senator

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Supreme court hears parent approval of abortion case

ASSOCIATE PRESS

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Supreme Court on Wednesday wrestled with a New Hampshire law that requires a parent to be told before a daughter ends her pregnancy, with no hint the justices were ready for a dramatic retreat on abortion rights under their new chief.

The court is dealing with its first abortion case in five years, as well as the first in the brief tenure of Chief Justice John Roberts.

The case does not challenge the 1973 Roe v. Wade ruling that declared abortion a fundamental constitutional right, and the justices seemed to be seeking a compromise that would avoid breaking new ground.

Several said the law was flawed, because it requires that a parent be informed 48 hours before a minor child has an abortion but makes no exception for a medical emergency that threatens the youth's health.

At the same time, the court appeared unhappy with lower court decisions that blocked the law from being enforced at all.

"This case doesn't involve an emergency situation," Roberts said.

The stakes are significant since the ruling could signal where the high court is headed under

Roberts and after the retirement of Justice Sandra Day O'Connor.

Abortion was a prominent subject in Roberts' confirmation hearings and has emerged as a major issue in President Bush's nomination of appeals court Judge Samuel Alito to replace O'Connor, who has been the swing vote in support of abortion rights.

Protesters demonstrated outside singing, chanting and praying and the argument inside the court was at times contentious, too, with justices talking over each other and over the lawyers.

New Hampshire Attorney General Kelly Ayotte struggled to field sharp questions on why state lawmakers had made an exception to allow abortions when a young mother's life but not her health was in danger. The court has held that abortion restrictions should include a health exception.

Doctors would fear being prosecuted or sued if they performed an abortion on a severely sick minor who did not want to notify a parent, several justices said.

"That's the real problem here for the doctor who's on the line," said Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg.

The law allows a judge to waive the requirement, and Justice Antonin Scalia said: "It takes 30 seconds to place a phone call."

"It seems to me that the bypass

procedure can go a long way toward saving this statute," Justice Anthony M. Kennedy said.

Tracking down a judge and making the case for a waiver could take too long, said Jennifer Dalven, an attorney with the American Civil Liberties Union who argued on behalf of Planned Parenthood of Northern New England.

"For women in some emergencies, every minute is critical. Every minute puts them at risk of losing their future fertility and of major organ damage," she said. "I don't think saving a statute is worth putting a teen's health at risk."

If Alito is confirmed by the Senate early next year his vote could be needed to break a tie in the case, although the justices may find a consensus in resolving the appeal without a landmark decision. For example, they could tell the 1st U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in Boston to review the matter again and issue a more limited ruling.

A Senate vote is planned for January on Alito, who is expected to be more receptive to abortion restrictions than O'Connor.

When Alito worked for the Reagan administration, he criticized Roe v. Wade. In a memo released by the National Archives on Wednesday, Alito said that

because a reversal of Roe was unlikely, the Reagan administration should instead try to persuade justices to accept state limits on abortions.

The New Hampshire case is being closely watched by states that require minors to tell a parent or get permission before having an abortion. The justices were told that 24 states mandate a parent's approval and 19, including New Hampshire, demand parental notice.

The Bush administration is backing New Hampshire, and Solicitor General Paul Clement told the court that "it's literally a one in 1,000 possibility that there's going to be an emergency" and problem under the law.

The court is considering whether the 2003 New Hampshire law puts an "undue burden" on a woman in choosing to end a pregnancy. O'Connor is an architect of the undue burden standard, and was the deciding vote in the last abortion case five years ago, when the justices ruled that a Nebraska law banning a type of late-term abortion was too burdensome. That law did not have an exception to protect the mother's health.

The case was one of two dealing with abortion at the court on Wednesday. In a second, the justices considered whether federal extortion and racketeering laws

can be used to sue abortion clinic demonstrators.

Another major case awaiting justices is the Bush administration's appeal of a lower court ruling that struck down a federal ban on a procedure that critics call "partial birth" abortions. The federal law has no health exception.

The high court agreed to allow news organizations to air an audio recording of the court's argument in the New Hampshire case, giving the public away from the court its first chance to hear the new chief justice on the bench. Cameras are not allowed in the court.

Roberts, 50, replaced Chief Justice William H. Rehnquist, who died in September after a yearlong fight with cancer.

The justices agreed to hear the New Hampshire case before Rehnquist's death and before O'Connor surprised colleagues with news that she was stepping down.

O'Connor was not particularly active in the hour-long argument, and her vote will count only if she is still on the court when the ruling is made. She suggested there might be a way to deal with the lack of a health exception, without blocking the law entirely.

The case is Ayotte v. Planned Parenthood, 04-1144.

Ohio man dies in Bozeman plane wreck

ASSOCIATED PRESS

HELENA (AP) — A small plane crashed near Gallatin Field Airport in Bozeman Tuesday night, killing the pilot, a 68-year-old Ohio man who founded a company that manufactures food containers.

The twin-engine Cessna crashed in a pasture about 2 1/2 miles north of Gallatin Field Airport in Bozeman at about 5:40 p.m., said Mike O'Connor, regional duty officer with the Federal Aviation Administration. A passerby found the plane Wednesday morning.

The pilot, Gerald Shiffer of Urbana, Ohio, about 60 miles west of Columbus, was the only person on board. An autopsy was planned.

Shiffer founded Tech II Inc. in Springfield, Ohio, in 1969 and served as the company's president.

"He was extremely giving, and he never wanted any credit," his daughter Andrea Tullis told the Urbana Daily Citizen on Wednesday. She said her father supported his church, the local school district and other community activities.

A longtime neighbor, Al

Maurice, said Shiffer was adventurous.

"It's the old cliché about living life to the fullest," Maurice said. "He did that with all he had. He was an avid downhill skier and an avid water skier. He dearly loved Montana and flying."

The Cessna was flying to Bozeman from Algona, Iowa, O'Connor said.

Airport radar last spotted the Cessna flying over the Gallatin River Ranch near Manhattan in snowy conditions.

Shiffer didn't radio with any problems before the plane disappeared from radar, the Gallatin County sheriff's office said.

About 30 people searched the ground for the plane Tuesday night, and an air search was launched Wednesday morning.

Undersheriff Jim Oberhofer said a passerby spotted the plane sitting upright in a pasture at about 8:15 a.m. Wednesday.

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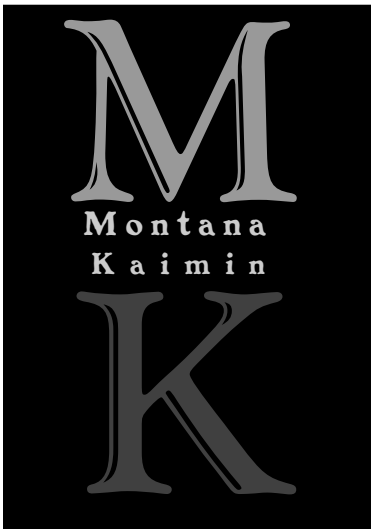
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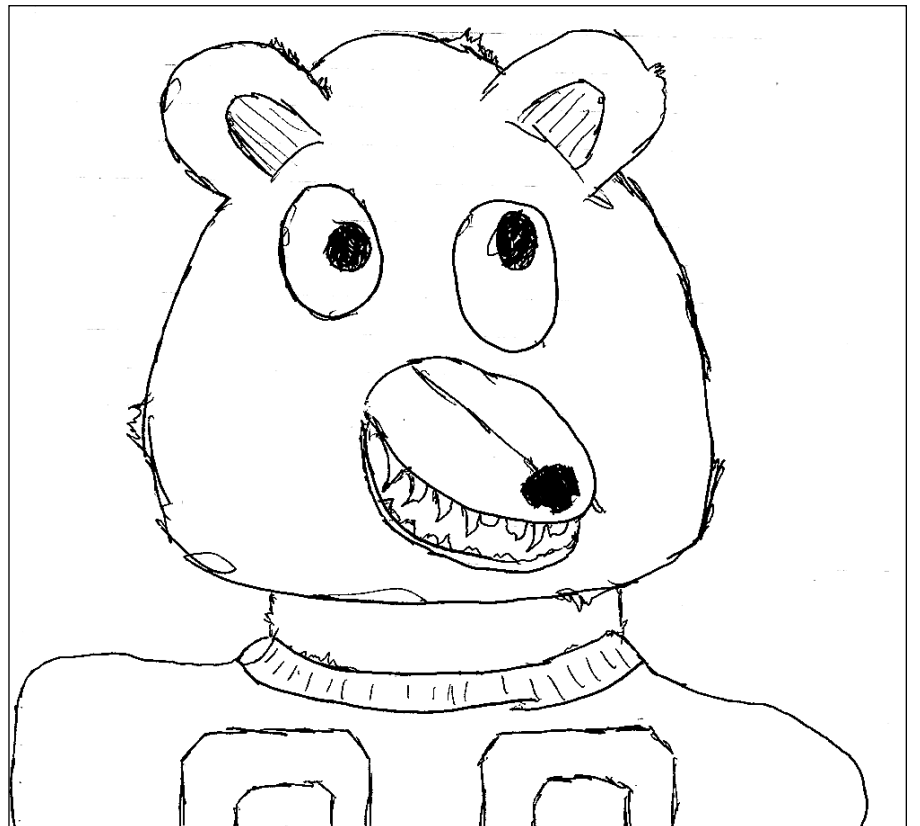
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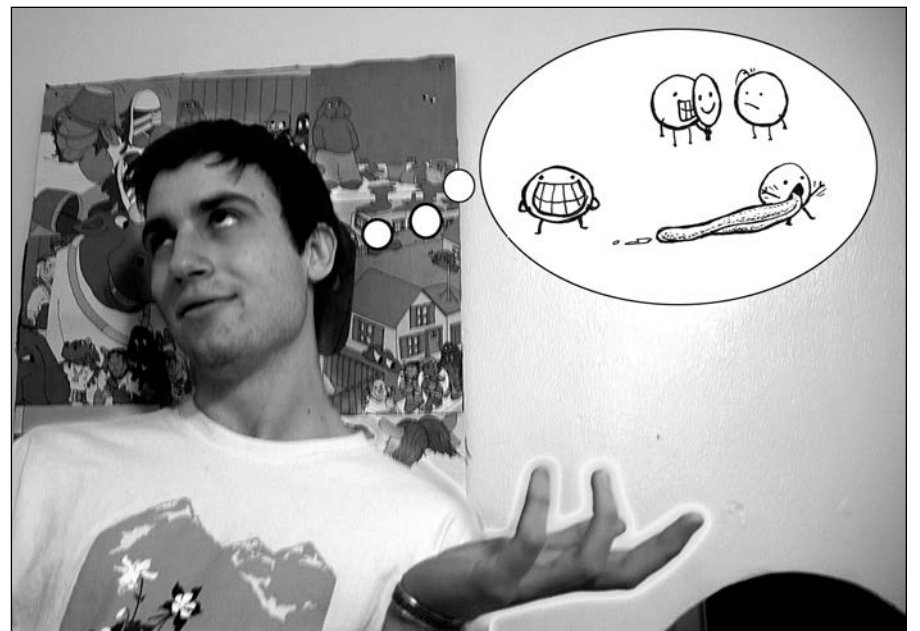


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Danger rolls in on big waves during Maui winters

ASSOCIATED PRESS

OPANA POINT, Hawaii — Safety officials and surfers are looking for ways to deal with the seasonal onslaught of surfers yearning to ride the giant waves on the north shore of Maui.

As waves roared seven stories high at the now famous break known as Jaws on Dec. 15 last year, the area was besieged by daredevils — some of them novices — looking to catch a monster wave and the \$1,000 per foot award offered by the surf company Billabong.

In 2004, the award was \$68,000, won as five helicopters carried professional photographers through the air and thou-

sands of spectators clambered around the 200-foot cliffs above the ocean.

"We were afraid that someone was going to die," Rodney Kilborn, a surf promoter and long-time firefighter, told The Maui News.

What seemed to have been a narrow miss with tragedy has sparked an active debate among big-name surfers over a practice called tow-in surfing.

Until about 15 years ago, a surfer's skill at paddling out into the ocean dictated which waves he could ride. But the advent of tow-in surfing — two-man teams dragging each other into big waves on the back of a Jet Ski — has changed all that.

While the waves at Jaws were

once braved by only the most seasoned of big wave surfers, last year there were 70 of the machines out on the water.

"WE WERE AFRAID THAT SOMEONE WAS GOING TO DIE."

—RODNEY KILBORN, SURF PROMOTER AND FIREFIGHTER

The tramping crowds of onlookers have also taken their toll on nearby crops. Maui Land & Pineapple Co. lost a quarter of its crop a year ago. And vehicles clogged the dirt roads to the site never meant for high traffic. One

vehicle was set on fire.

"This situation — with crowds and no crowd management — is the situation for which we may have to establish some kind of physical restrictions," said Jason Koga, the company's land and environmental manager of A&B Properties, which leases the land to Maui Land & Pineapple.

Several years ago Hawaii began certifying tow-in surfers with classes. But the certifications don't test surfers' skills in the water.

County water ocean safety supervisor Archie Kalepa says the classes need to go further.

"This (tow-in surfing) goes beyond surfing — surfing is probably only half the skill. You've got to have water knowledge, Jet Ski knowledge, rescue knowledge and

knowledge of the area," said Kalepa, who is also a respected big-wave rider.

He said he'd also like to see Billabong send the competition elsewhere for a few years after a win.

Some surfers are also talking about creating an organization and safety criteria to self-police the treacherous sport.

"Nobody likes rules and regulation, not even me, but something has to happen," said Kilborn, who is an advisory board member of the fledgling organization Association of Professional Tow Surfers. "People have to get involved or we could lose our sport, we could lose our respect and credibility."

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Closson a silent assassin for the Lady Griz this season



Sophomore forward Johanna Closson practices her free-throw form during Lady Griz basketball practice Wednesday afternoon in Dahlberg Arena. The Lady Griz travel to Wyoming on Thursday to play the University of Wyoming Cowgirls.

SARAH SWAN

MONTANA KAIMIN

Johanna Closson appears bashful upon first impression.

"I'm shy until you get to know me," Closson said with a smile.

She might be quiet and somewhat reserved, but give her a basketball, and Closson, a sophomore from Whitefish, will prove why she plays a key role on the

University of Montana women's basketball team.

Last year, Closson walked onto the court as a true freshman and did some impressive damage.

In her third collegiate game against East Carolina in the 2004 Pepperdine tournament, Closson had a season high 21 points. She played 17.9 minutes per game and appeared in all of Montana's 30 games. Closson was ranked first

on the team and second in the Big Sky Conference with her 87.3 percent free-throw line shooting and also ranked third on the team in scoring, averaging 7.3 points per game.

It appeared as though Closson was hardly fazed by the high school to college basketball transition, but she said she had some difficulty in adjusting to the game at first.

"The main thing is just the pace, it's a lot faster and everyone is very skilled," Closson said. "The tempo is a lot faster, it took a few weeks to adjust to it."

With a brand new season already underway, Closson seems to have adjusted to playing with the big girls just fine.

Over the Thanksgiving holiday at the Florida State Tournament in Tallahassee, Closson averaged 9.5 points and five rebounds in games against Wright State and Florida State for Montana.

"Whether it's scoring or rebounding, I'm just going to give to the team what I can," Closson said of her role.

Although she seems to be progressing just fine from a fan's point of view, Closson said she is still trying to

"I THINK WE HAVE A REALLY GOOD CHEMISTRY, WHICH IS REALLY IMPORTANT."

— JOHANNA CLOSSON

work out a few of her weaknesses, mainly focusing on her defense.

"I'm a weak defender, so it's harder to catch up on the defense," Closson said. "I'm still working on it."

When she's not rebounding or scoring, Closson likes to spend her free time hanging out with her friends and family.

"I'm pretty laid back," said Closson, the self-declared homebody who talks to her father before every game.

Closson is also a true Montana girl at heart and chose to attend UM in order to stay close to home

and to be a part of a great basketball program.

"I like being in Montana and representing Montana," Closson said. "The coaching staff is awesome, and the tradition here, it's pretty fun to play in front of the crowd."

Just a sophomore, Closson already has a plethora of memories from the team, her favorite being when the Lady Griz went to the NCAA Tournament last spring.

"Not a lot of teams get to experience that," Closson said, adding that she hopes to repeat the tradi-

tion. "I think it would be neat to go to the NCAA Tournament all four years of my college career."

Just like Closson had to adjust to the college level of playing last year, she now finds herself in a position where some of her young teammates are looking to her for guidance.

Closson said she is looking forward to seeing the Lady Griz progress throughout the year and adds that she just wants to work hard and make some strides toward improvement.

"I think we have a really good chemistry, which is really important," Closson said of the Grizzlies' young team. "We're all young and we're all learning together."

Grunting in jeans, leaving sweaty mess not a cool workout



DANNY DAVIS

MONTANA KAIMIN

In exactly one month it will be the year 2006 and numerous people around the world will be wondering what their New Year's resolution will be.

Some student might swear to get better grades, some Republican politicians might try to swear off being corrupt and Britney Spears may just try to quit being worthless.

Of course, the most popular resolution will be weight loss, and on campus that means only one thing: hitting the gym.

Now, UM has a fantastic facility and we're lucky to have it since we essentially go for free (yes, we pay for it on our bills, but who actually reads their college bills?). But before you get ready to shed the pounds, perhaps you should

inquire about the following questions.

Why does everybody and their mother decide to go lift in the evening? Mainly due to the fact that my max on the bench press can be easily counted to by kindergartners, I try to get my workouts done in the morning. Unfortunately, sometimes sleep intervenes and avoiding the evening gym crowd is unavoidable. Whereas it is calm

and peaceful in the morning, an evening in the weight room resembles more of a Jimmy Dean convention. There really isn't a solution to this problem; I just enjoy complaining about waiting 35 minutes to get on the shoulder press machine.

Why doesn't the gym have a dress code? I'm sorry but the gym isn't the Moulin Rouge — so put on some damn clothes. A pair of lengthy shorts and an actual T-shirt with sleeves never killed anyone. Oh, and while I'm throwing down more fashion critiques than Joan Rivers, jeans, baseball caps and Abercrombie sweatshirts are for downtown on a Saturday night, not the Stairmaster.

Is it really considered lifting when you aren't doing any work?

There is nothing funnier than seeing some dude lifting a couple of 45's on his bench only because his spotter is helping him through the entire lift. Doing your entire lift with assistance doesn't make you strong, it makes you blissfully weak.

Why is my 12-year-old sister smarter when it comes to the subject of numbers? The 45-pound weights go onto the rack with the 45-pound sticker by them. Seriously, it isn't that hard.

What is the blue stuff that is located in various spray bottles throughout the Rec Center? Well, I don't know exactly what that stuff is called, but I do know that it is a cleaner that people are supposed to use to clean up after themselves after a good sweaty lift. Don't be a jackass and leave your sweaty headstain on a bench for someone else to enjoy.

Who is in charge of the music? Luckily, everyone these days seems to be rollin' with an mp3 player or rockin' an old school Walkman, but for those who don't ... oh boy. From pop to country to rock and rap, the Rec Center musical selection seems to have it all. Now, while this concept would be awesome for a high school prom, such is not the case for a weightlifting session. I remember one time when I forgot my iShuffle and was in the middle of a lift when I heard Michael Bolton's "How Am I Supposed To Live

Without You?" I didn't know whether to finish my lift or start crying in memory of relationships gone astray.

Along those lines, who the hell is the guy that is listening to his mp3 player and singing to himself? It's probably me. Sorry.

Why are all those gym floozies and slackers just standing around doing nothing? Get on a bike or lift a dumbbell or something. This isn't social hour at the bars or a beauty salon. This is a gym and you actually should try to exert energy here. Get rid of the make-up honey, sweat actually looks attractive here.

Is it seven years of bad luck if you break a mirror or if you spend an entire lift session in front of one? First of all, this isn't a house of mirrors and secondly, you look the EXACT same way that you

did when you checked yourself out two minutes ago.

Is it really necessary to grunt and groan, yell and yelp after every single repetition? I don't have an answer for that; I just think it's incredibly annoying.

How many calories does holding hands burn? Nothing kills a testosterone rush like a promenade around the track with your girlfriend. Leave the PDAs in the backseat of your 1986 Chevy.

Well now that you've answered more questions than you would have playing Trivial Pursuit with your grandma, you need to sit down and do some quality thinking about that weight-loss resolution. With all that you've learned today, I think the only question that you need to ask is if it's worth it.

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10am-2pm in the UC

*Free Chair Massages
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The ROTC wants to buy you a snack. The holidays are here and we want to spread the cheer.

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Date: 6 DEC

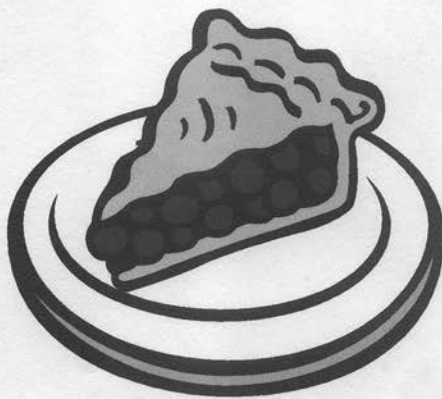
Time: 7:30 pm

Craig, Elrod and Duniway will be in
Craig Hall main lobby

Pantzer and Miller will meet in Miller hall
main lobby

Knowles, Jesse and Turner meet in Knowles
Halls main lobby

Aber Hall Back lounge 1st floor



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- Sign up at the student entrance right where you swipe your Griz Card BEFORE the game.
- The winner's name will be announced at the 8:00 time-out in the second half.
- The winner will be recognized on the court and given \$100 in cash by Coach K. at the last time-out of the game!!!

Upcoming CAN'T MISS games!

Friday, Dec. 2, 7pm
Griz vs. Stanford

Clear your student fan club t-shirt
or get one at the game for only \$2.00!!

Tuesday, Dec. 6, 7pm
Griz vs. Loyola-Marymount

Take over the NORTH & SOUTH
and zones & FILL THE STADIUM!

THE
GRIZ
MONTANA
BASKETBALL

get to the GAME!

RELAY

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issue,” Wright said. “It just seems that a lot of people are dying from cancer today.”

The American Cancer Society found that more than 2,000 Montana residents have died from cancer in 2005 and this year the

state registered nearly 5,000 new cases.

Murphy’s best friend was one of the 5,000.

“No one ever thinks a 23-year-old is going to get cancer,” Murphy said.

But her story is one of triumph.

After successfully undergoing the radioactive iodine treatments and surgery to remove her thyroid, her friend is cancer-free.

“She’s great,” Murphy said. “There are no signs of remission.”

Murphy said the Relay for Life is so important because it deals with a universal issue.

“We want everybody to be involved (in the walk because) everyone knows someone who has had cancer,” Murphy said. “No matter your age, race, ethnicity — it touches everybody.”

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Scholarships

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for a movie in the UC Theater (3rd Floor) with snacks and
prizes. Free to all Golden Key Members and one guest.

Scholarships will be awarded prior to the movie for the
most active members!

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What else are you
gonna read at 8am?

Top 10 Reasons
to attend UM Summer
Semester 2006

10. Finish pesky Gen Eds.

9. Get tough courses
out of the way.

8. 4 day classes equals
3 day weekends.

7. Take hot courses from
cool instructors.

6. Get out of college faster.

5. Parking, parking, parking.

4. Earn college credits and
still have a vacation...
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3. Get ahead in classes.

2. After class, float
the river.

1. Live the good life in
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